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## Wildfire Safety Training for Reporters and Photographers

Wednesday May 25, 2005

**Sacramento** – Another fire season is upon us and many media crews will be getting very close to one of the most dangerous natural occurrences in California; the wildfire. The firefighters of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) urge reporters and photographers to take our Wildfire Safety Class.

On May 25, 2005, CDF will offer a half-day fire safety class to media staff who will be covering wildfires this year. For your convenience a morning session and an identical afternoon session will be offered.

The training will include:

- How to use the system to get the story safely and quickly
- Media access rights and laws
- The basics of wildfire behavior what to watch for
- Professional recommendations on how to survive in several emergency situations

Dress is casual, because we will practice the timed deployment of an emergency fire shelter.

What: Media Safety Training
When: Wednesday May 25, 2005

AM session 8:30 – 12 noon PM session 1:00 – 4:30

Where: CDF Headquarters

1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 1506

Sacramento, California

Last minute attendees will be welcome, but we would appreciate confirmation in order to plan for hand-outs and fire shelters. Please contact Linda Cano or Jan St. Pierre at (916) 653-5123 to register.

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